

**COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

ACTION MINUTES

Thursday, March 6, 2003

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THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG's OFFICE.

The Community, Economic & Human Development Committee held its meeting at the SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles, California. There was a quorum.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor William Alexander, CEHD Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor William Alexander, **Chair**
Councilmember Laura Richardson-Batts
Councilmember Gary Bosworth
Mayor Robert Bruesch
Councilmember Alta E. Duke, **Vice- Chair**
Councilmember Josie Gonzales
Councilmember Henry Harkema
Councilmember Susan Longville
Mayor Cristina Cruz Madrid
Mayor Kathryn McCullough
Mayor John McTaggart
Councilmember Bedford Pinkard
Councilmember Deborah Robertson
Councilmember M. Jo Shields
Mayor Charles White
Councilmember Bob Yousefian

SANBAG Subregion
City of Long Beach
CVAG Subregion
City of Rosemead
City of La Palma
SANBAG Subregion
City of Paramount
SANBAG Subregion
SGVCOG Subregion
OCCOG Subregion
South Bay Cities COG
City of Oxnard
SANBAG Subregion
City of Brawley
WRCOG Subregion
City of Glendale

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Councilmember Melanie Andrews

Mayor Ken Blackwood

Supervisor Robert (Bob) Buster

Councilmember Jeff Comercheo

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dispenza

Councilmember Betty DeSantis

Councilmember Bart Doyle

Councilmember Wendy Greuel

Councilmember Janice Hahn

Mayor Ronald Loveridge

Councilmember Shirley McCracken

Councilmember Efren J. Moreno, Jr.

Councilmember Alex Padilla

Mayor Bev Perry

Councilmember Jan Perry

Councilmember Marsha Ramos

Councilmember Ed Reyes

Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran

City of Compton

City of Lomita

County of Riverside

WRCOG Subregion

City of Palmdale

Las Virgenes Malibu Conejo COG

City of Sierra Madre

City of Los Angeles

City of Los Angeles

City of Riverside

OCCOG Subregion

San Gabriel Valley COG

City of Los Angeles

City of Brea

City of Los Angeles

Arroyo Verdugo Subregion

City of Los Angeles

OCCOG Subregion

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Miles Mitchell, representative and subregional coordinator for the City of Los Angeles, gave his comments on the approval of the Technically Balanced Growth Projection (TBGP) by the Forecasting Technical Task Force on February 10, 2003. By adopting the Technically Balanced Growth Projection, in his opinion, the Task Force narrowly averted making a major mistake.

The CEHD Chair, Mayor Alexander, thanked Mr. Mitchell for his comments.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

CEHD member Mayor Charles White called the Chair's attention to the first paragraph under Item 9.0 Adjournment for the Closed Session of the February 6, 2003 Action Minutes. It was indicated that CEHD member Mayor Charles White was removed from the closed session but it did not indicate that he was under protest. The Chair acknowledged the correction and said it should ultimately be reflected in the minutes.

Councilmember Kathryn McCullough from the OCCOG Subregion abstained from voting on the Consent Calendar as she was not present at the February 6, 2003 CEHD meeting.

Then, the following consent calendar items were MOVED (Bruesch) SECONDED (McTaggart) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.1 Approval Items

3.1.1 Minutes of February 6, 2003
Joint Meeting of the CEHD & EEC

3.1.2 Minutes of February 6, 2003

3.2 Receive and File

3.2.1 California's Housing Element Law:
The Issue of Local Noncompliance
A Study Conducted by the Public
Policy Institute of California (PPIC)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Current Fiscal Year Work Priorities

Ms. Lynn Harris informed the CEHD Committee that this item is in response to the Committee's direction at the last meeting to provide a plan for RHNA expenditures and timelines of the existing \$21,083.52 Community Development budget already allocated in FY 02-03. Sample plans of two priority activities were included in the CEHD agenda packet.

The discussion included confirmation by staff that HCD will be invited to future meetings as we begin RHNA discussions and that there be further consideration of Income Equity by staff and the CEHD in RHNA discussions.

It was MOVED (Yousefian) and SECONDED (Bruesch) AND UNANIMOUSLY AGREED to accept CEHD staff's work plan in preparation for the 2004 RHNA.

4.2 Venture Capital Investment in the SCAG Region – Year 2001 Review

Mr. Bruce DeVine, Chief Economist at SCAG, gave a presentation on Venture Capital Investment in the SCAG Region for Year 2001 in its draft form. The presentation showed what SCAG staff collected, mapped, and analyzed data on Venture Capital Investments in high technology companies within the SCAG region as part of the Jobs/Housing Program for Fiscal Year 2001-02.

It was MOVED (Yousefian) and SECONDED (McTaggart) AND UNANIMOUSLY AGREED to accept the report on Venture Capital Investment in the SCAG Region – Year 2001 Review.

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Status of Alternative Growth Projections

Mr. Jim Sims, Director of Information Services at SCAG, gave a status report on the Alternative Growth Projections for the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan Growth Forecast. The five projections he discussed were Trend Projection, Local Input Projection, Technically Balanced Growth Projection (TBGP), COMPASS Scenario 1, and COMPASS Scenario 2. Mr. Sims summarized the Technically Balanced Growth Projection approved by the Forecasting Technical Task Force.

A brief discussion ensued with the Committee asking questions on the methodology used in the projections.

Because this was an information item, the Committee was not able to take formal action. Members Robinson and Longville expressed their concerns regarding the complexity of so many projections moving forward in the process.

5.2 PILUT Process Update

In lieu of a full report, Mark Butala of SCAG's staff answered questions on the PILUT process.

5.3 Inter-Regional Partnership Program Update

Mr. Joe Carreras, Lead Regional Planner at SCAG, gave the Committee an update on the various State-funded Inter-Regional Partnership programs in our region. The Inter-Regional Partnership (IRP) is a grant program funded by the California Department of Housing and Community Development to define and address jobs/housing imbalance issues that cross jurisdictional boundaries.

Mr. Carreras introduced Mr. Neil Richman. Mr. Richman gave a brief presentation and informed the Committee of two projects: 1) Neighborhood Knowledge California has the easiest mapping program, its website www.nkca.ucla.edu; and 2) Land Opportunities Tracking System (LOTS), it serves as an interactive web portal that addresses issues of information barrier in promoting infill housing development. By providing a rich database and a platform it allows users to query as well as spatially map various characteristics providing information on potential infill development.

The Chair thanked Mr. Carreras and Mr. Richman for a fascinating presentation.

INFORMATION ITEMS CONTINUED

5.4 Growth Visioning Subcommittee Report

Mayor Kathryn McCullough brought to the Committee's attention that Compass brochures are now available. She also said that the Subcommittee is asking for more elected officials to be actively participate in promoting the growth scenario process.

6.0 THE CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair introduced a new member to the CEHD Committee, Councilmember Gary Bosworth of the CVAG Subregion.

The Chair announced that this is Councilmember Henry Harkema's last meeting. The Chair thanked Councilmember Harkema for serving on the Committee and told him that his service has been truly an inspiration for other members of the Committee.

The Chair then announced Marie Franklin's retirement. Ms. Franklin has been the CEHD's Sr. Administrative Assistant; the Chair thanked her and said the Committee will miss her. The Committee then applauded Ms. Franklin for all her efforts.

7.0 STAFF REPORT ANNOUNCEMENTS

There was no staff report at this meeting.

8.0 COMMENT PERIOD

There were no comments at this meeting.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. The next CEHD meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2003.

Signed: _____

Lynn Harris

Manager, Community Development